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UPCOMING EVENTS

HOME

Women's Hockey vs Bishop's, Feb. 7(6:50p.m.) Men's Hockey vs McGill, Feb. 10(7:30p.m.) Women's Volleyball Invitational, Feb. 11 Women's B.B. vs McGill, Feb. 12(2:00p.m.) Women's Hockey vs Laval, Feb. 17(6:10p.m.) Women's Hockey vs McGill, Feb. 21(6:50p.m.) Men's B.B. vs McGill, Feb. 21(8:00p.m.)

AWAY

Men's B.B. @ Bishop's, Feb.10
Ski Team @ Stoneham, Feb.10-12
Women's B.B. @ Bishop's, Feb. 10
Women's B.B. @ Laval, Feb. 17
Men's B.B. @ Toronto, Feb. 17
Men's Hockey @ Queen's, Feb. 18
Men's B.B. @ Ryerson, Feb.18
WRESTING TEAM @ A.U.A.A. Finals, Feb.18

STINGERS CLINCH FIRST PLACE - BRISSON BREAKS CAREER SCORING MARK

Women's Hockey Update: The Stingers competed in the Hockey East Tournament February 3–5, losing all three contests to the N.C.A.A.'s top three teams. Concordia fell to New Hampshire 7–3 in their final game Sunday. The Stingers lost to N.C.A.A. Champion Northeastern 11–0 and Providence 10–1 despite outshooting the Friars 20–19. Earlier in the week the Stingers defeated J.A.C. 5–2.

<u>This Week:</u> Concordia puts its 11 game league unbeaten streak on the line against Bishop's Tuesday, February 7. Game time is 6:50 p.m.

<u>Last Week</u>: Therese Brisson (D.D.O., Que.) led the Stingers with 3 goals and I assist in the three game tourmanent. Brisson's second goal against U.N.H. was career point number 258 which breaks the men's record of 257 set by Mark Kosturik (1982–86).

Concordia clinched first place in the Q.W.I.H.L. with the victory over J.A.C. Rookie **Debbie Woods—Turner** (Dorval, Que.) tallied **two goals** while Therese Brisson took the lead in league scoring with two goals and three assists. **Val Gaston** (Iberville, Que.) recorded **her fourth goal** of the year; after joining the team from the Q.U.A.A. Champion Women's soccer team.

<u>Wrestling Update</u>: Several Concordia grapplers competed in the Michigan Open Wrestling competition February 5th, 1988. C.I.A.U. Champion **Rob Dawson** (Windsor, Ont.) **won** the **57 kg.** weight category. **Pat Sullivan** (Montreal, Que.) took **first** in the **68 kg.** category while **David Mendelsohn** took **fourth** in that same weight class. **Sean O'Heany** (Montreal, Que.) **won** the **74 kg.** division.

Earlier in the week, Concordia wrestlers had **five golds** and **one bronze** at the **U.N.B. Invitiational. Anthony Merlo** (Montreal, Que.), **Bob Watson** (Montreal, Que.), **Mike Meekins** (Saskatoon, Sa.), **Tom Rebelo** (London, Ont.), and **Sean O'Heany** were all victorious. **Chris Villeneuve** (Ottawa, Ont.) had a **third place finish** for Concordia.

Next Action: The Concordia Wrestling team will compete in the C.I.A.U. qualifier February 18, 1989 to be held in one of the Atlantic Provinces.

MAHON BREAKS 16 YEAR OLD RECORD RONALD COREY CUP ON FRIDAY-DESJARDINS NAMED CIAU ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Men's Hockey Update: The Stingers improved their record to 14-9 in the O.U.A.A. East Division with victories over Queen's (Jan. 31) and Ottawa (Feb. 3). Outstanding Rookie Robert Desjardins (Verdun, Que.) recorded his first career shut-out blanking the Golden Gaels 6-0. Desjardins shared the spotlight with Stinger Captain Mark Mahon (Vankleek Hill, Ont.) who set an O.U.A.A. record with his 46th assist of the season. Mahon broke a 16 year old record set in the 1972-73 season by Guelph's Adam Brown. The third year forward continues to lead the league in scoring (23 GP: 13-46-59). Concordia has two league games remaining including the second annual "Ronald Corey Cup" which was won by McGill last season.

<u>This Week</u>: Concordia faces McGill in the battle for college hockey supremacy in Montreal. The Stingers have yet to beat the Redmen this season. McGill will put their 17-4-2 record on the line Friday, February 10. The fifth ranked Redmen will be facing the upstart Stingers who improve every game. **Concordia has had a remarkable season considering they have 14 rookies in their lineup** and only one with major junior hockey experience. The maroon & gold have recorded their most league wins in 5 seasons.

The **"Corey Cup"** will feature four of the nation's top scorers. The Stingers **Mark Mahon** and **Richard Laplante** will face McGill's Tim lannone and Mario de Benedictis. Mahon leads the league with de Benedictis second, Laplante third and lannone fourth.

<u>Last Week</u>: Rookie goaltender **Robert Desjardins** recorded Concordia's first shut-out in over a year as the Stingers controlled the Golden Gaels. Desjardins, who was the **M.V.P.** in the **Q.M.J.H.L.**(1987), lowered his G.A.A. to 3.56 during the week and was named **QSSF and CIAU** "Athlete of the Week".

All-Canadian candidate **Richard Laplante** (Boucherville, Que.) **led** the Stingers **with 2 goals**. The **1988 O.U.A.A. All-Star** now has **32 goals** in **25 games** played. Rookie's **Steve Simpson** (Beaconsfield, Que.), **Mark Davidson** (Lachute, Que) and **E.J. Janiszewski** (D.D.O., Que.) also tallied for Concordia. Senior forward **Tod Button** (Pierrefonds, Que.) had his **fourth goal of** the **season**. First-year Stinger **John Gravelle** (D.D.O., Que.) had **three assists**. He now has 18 points in 10 games.

The story of the game centered on **Captain Mark Mahon**. The third year forward **recorded** his **46th assist** in regular season play, breaking a sixteen year-old record. Mahon assisted on both of Richard Laplante's goals. Laplante's first goal was a short-handed effort, his fifth of the season.

In Concordia's 3-1 victory over Ottawa, rookie **Mark Davidson** (6'2-196) **led** the Stingers **with two goals**. The 20 year-old former John Abbott Islander now has 16 goals in 22 league games. He has been a big plus for the maroon and gold this year. Mark Mahon recorded the winning goal, his 20th marker of the season. Outstanding goaltender **Robert Desjardins made 26 saves** for his sixteenth victory of the year.

MAGNIFICENT MAHON: All-Canadian candidate Mark Mahon (Yankleek Hill, Ont.) continues to lead the Stinger attack. Mahon (28 GP: 21-52-73) broke the **0.U.A.A.** assist record Jan. 31 vs. Queen's. The Stinger captain extended his point-scoring streak to 20 games. Mahon (5'11-182) has been in on 53% of Concordia's goals this season while averaging 2.6 points per game.

THE RICH REPORT: Outstanding second year forward Richard Laplante (Boucherville, Que.) now leads the team in scoring. (25 GP: 32-42-74). Laplante extended his point scoring streak to seventeen games with two assists against Ottawa. The 1988 O.U.A.A. All-Star remains is one of the top scorers in Canada despite missing 3 league games. Laplante, (5'11-185) who narrowly missed being named an All-Canadian last year, appears headed for the dream team this season.

BASKETBALL

Men's Update: The Stingers improved their record to 11–3 in the O.U.A.A. East Division with consecutive victories over Laurentian (Feb. 3) and Ryerson (Feb. 5). Concordia lost to York 98–92 on Feb. 2. Concordia has an overall record of 21–7 with 4 league games remaining.

<u>This Week:</u> Concordia travels to Bishop's Friday, Feb. 10. The Stingers are 2-0 against the Gaiters this year. Bishop's is very tough at home and the maroon and gold will have to contend with the Gaiter's outstanding duo of David King and Pierre Tibblin.

<u>Last Week</u>: The Stingers defeated Ryerson 84–77 as first-year guard **Allan Cox** (Montreal, Que.) led the way with 20 points. Cox, who **led Dawson College to the National Title** last season, **hit 6 three-pointers**. He has averaged 4 long bombs per game and has an amazing **47% success ratio** from three point range.

Rookie Leon Pierre (Lasalle, Que.) scored 13 points and hauled down a career high 14 rebounds for the Stingers. "Rookie of the Year" candidate Dexter John (Montreal, Que.) hit double figures for the fourteenth straight game with 11 first half points.

In the victory over Laurentian, **Dexter John** (5'10-170) **scored 12 second half points** to lift the Stingers. Second year swing-guard **Michael Cohee** (Montreal, Que.) **led** Concordia **with 22 points**. Cohee was 10 of 12 from the free throw line. Captain **Nick Arvanitis** (Montreal, Que.) netted **15 points** while **playing only 21 minutes**.

In Concordia's loss to York, **Dexter John** led the Stingers with 21 points. This was John's 12th game in which he had led the team in scoring. The sensational rookie leads the Stingers with a **17 P.P.G. average overall**. John has scored in double figures in 27 of 28 games this year.

John's teammate at Dawson College – **Allan Cox netted 17 points** for Concordia. Centre **Dino Perin** (Montreal, Que.) **scored 16 points** and pulled down 8 rebounds. Perin has **averaged 8 rebounds per game** this season, **fifth in the O.U.A.A.** East Division.

STATISTICAL LEADERS

MIN.	- Allan Cox(33.4); Dexter John(31.6); Michael Cohee(29.7)
3FG %	- Mike Baker(73%-8/11); Allan Cox(47%-94/211)
FG %	- Dino Perin(58%-155/266); Michael Cohee(57%-142/251)
FT %	- Raphael Tyrell(93%-13/14); Allan Cox(86%80/93)
PPG	 Dexter John(17.3); Allan Cox(15.1); Michael Cohee(14.7)
REB.	– Dino Perin(7.6); Leon Pierre(5.8); Nick Arvanitis(5.7)

<u>Women's Update</u>: The Stingers came very close to upsetting the McGill Martlets, Feb. 3. Concordia lost 54–50 to the defending Q.U.A.A. champions. The maroon and gold then lost to Laval 66–41 Feb. 5. Despite not winning a league game this season, the Stingers have defeated the nationally ranked Dalhousie Tigers (Nov. 18, 1988).

<u>This Week</u>: Concordia travels to Bishop's Friday, Feb. 10 and host McGill Sunday, Feb. 12. Game time is 2:00 p.m.

<u>Last Week</u>: Outstanding second-year forward **Sharron St. Croix** (Montreal, Que.) continued her solid play **with 17 points** against McGill. Two-time conference All-Star **Carol Assalian netted 10** while post **Suzie Czelnai** hauled down **8 rebounds**.

In the loss to Laval, **Suzie Czelnai** (Montreal, Que.) **led** all scorers **with 16 points**. Czelnai, a former CEGEP All-Star from Vanier College has played solidly inside in the last six games. Czelnai also had 8 boards in the game. **Sharron St. Croix** added 10 points for the Stingers.